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Subject: RE: Situation Report - "O" Division - Freedom Convoy 2022

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PURPOSE:

To provide an update on the protest activities in O Division associated with the Freedom Convoy protest in Ottawa (x-ref file 2022-74888).

BACKGROUND:

The Freedom Convoy was created as a means for truckers and others to demonstrate against cross-border Covid vaccine mandates and in support of the Freedom Convoy in Ottawa;

O Division's DEOC is monitoring the events in O Division and actively planning and tracking Divisional resources mobilized for the Freedom Convoy protests.

CURRENT STATUS:

68 members were deployed to commence shift in Ottawa on February 18th, 2022;

An additional 50 members were deployed on February 18th, 2022, as well as O Division's Tactical Services' Group (TSG);

O Division members are currently being identified for deployment starting on February 23rd to March 2nd, 2022.

OTHER KNOWN/PLANNED EVENTS:

Windsor/Ambassador Bridge: Planned rally on February 19th, 2022 at 2:00 PM at the Windsor Riverfront;

Cornwall/Seaway International Bridge Corporation: Cornwall port of entry remains open with no major delays reported. Unconfirmed information stating that protestors are planning for another demonstration on February 19th, 2022;

Thunder Bay: Information suggests that a protest may occur in the near future at border crossing(s) in the area;

Toronto: Information suggests that protestors from "The Line Canada" are calling for individuals that oppose vaccinations to attend their demonstration on February 19th, 2022, conversely, a counter protest, entitled "KKKonvoyGoHome", is planning on attending;

Ottawa/Parliament: Convoy from Alberta, entitled "Alberta Freedom Convoy 2022", attempting to fill a charter bus to Ottawa. The Fort McMurray convoy appears to consist of 4 vehicles (one motorhome) en-route to attend Ottawa arriving February 19th, 2022;

Niagara Falls/ Peace Bridge: Unconfirmed information stating protestors on the American side of the Bridge are planning a demonstration on February 19th, 2022. A possible “slow roll” is scheduled for February 20th, 2022;

Nipigon River Bridge: Potential convoys and protests being planned at the Bridge for February 26th, 2022. OPP monitoring.

STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS:

Situations are on-going and will be monitored.

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